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The Honorable John Taber House of Representatives Washington 25, D. C.

Sear John:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which I am sending to Chairman Cannon relating to the Senate Appropriations Committee report on the appropriation for the new Central Intelligence Agency headquarters building (S. Rept. 2580). I am sending an identical letter to Chairman Hayden of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

I sincerely hope that you will find an opportunity to consider the substance of this letter prior to the meeting of the Conference Committee on the Supplemental Appropriations Act. As I indicated in my letter to the Chairman, I feel that compliance with the restrictive language in the Senate Committee Report would jeopardise our entire building project. You will note that I have suggested language for inclusion in the Conference Report which I hope will express the intent of the Congress and still allow me to proceed without further serious delay on the construction of an adequate building for our people.

Sincerely yours.

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Allen W. Dulles

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